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The ARGUMENT.

Psyche, having long lain under the Displea- Jus fure of Venus, for being the Object of Appeter Son Cupid's Passion, is at length taken into Favour by that Goddess; and Me Jupiter thereupon resolves to give them Ne in Marriage to each other: This be Ma makes known by a suitable Speech; and Cu Cupid, by way of Reply, desires his Ga Bride may be made Immortal: Jupiter Ve assents, and gives her the Cup of Ambrosia for that purpose; then orders a 2 general Assembly of the Gods to celebrate 3 the Nuptials: Mercury publishes the Pa Summons, Bacchus begins the Congratur lation, Venus follows his Example, Apollo finishes it with a Promise of mak- 4 ing their Fames eternal as their Loves; and the whole ends with a Dance of Pan and the Satyrs; and a grand Ballad in the Characters of Vertumnus and Pomona, with a Chorus of Nymphs and Salvans. Printed for

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The GOMIC.

Harlequin, A Spaniard, Pierot, bis Servant Mynheer Bassoon, Lovers of Co- Mr. Waltz.
Signior Trebelino, Lovers of Co- Mr. Mountier. Monf. Quadrille, (lombine. Mr. Plumb, I Cobler, 2 Cobler. 3 Cobler, 4 Cobler. Colombine, Her Maid, Old Woman,

Monf. Le Brun. Mr. Stoppelaer. Monf. Poitier. Mr. Giles. Mr. Topbam. Mr. Olbeldiston. Mr. Leigh. Mr. Hicks. Mr. Bethun. Mrs. Clive. Miss Atherton. Mr. Mullart.



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CUPID and PSTCHE:

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S C E N E I.

[After an Overture of grand Musick, the Curtain rises, and the Stage appears cover'd over with Clouds; which, breaking up by degrees, Jupiter and Juno are discover'd on a magnificent Throne; and Neptune, Apollo, Pallas, Mercury, Venus, Cupid, Psyche, &c. rang'd, as in Council, on each Side of the Stage.

JUPITER.



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O-DAY, Ethereal Pow'rs! it is our Will,

That Hymen bless th' enamour'd God of Love

With Psyche's peerless Charms: He that was wont

To scatter Bosom-Mischiefs thro' the World;
That

That dar'd to wound his Kindred-Gods, and make Ev'n Jove himself sit sighing on his Throne: He begs Relief; nor shall he beg in vain: In Psyche's Arms the froward Boy shall taste The Sweets of happy Love, and learn to give A like Indulgence to the World below.

AIR.

Lovers now no more shall languish;
Sorrow shall forbear its Anguish;
Hope shall fan the am rous Fire;
Pleasure wait upon Desire:
Wedded Hearts shall slame together,
Each bestowing foy to either.
Beauty ever happy prove;
And Constancy attend on Love:
Love and Beauty now shall join,
And their Reign endure like mine.

Cup. King of the Gods! majestick Jove! you grant

But half my Pray'r, but half you bless my Vows,

If my lov'd Psyche must be rudely torn,

By Death's cold Hand, from my despairing Arms,

To mix in common with the vulgar Dead.

AIR.

Suppliant, see, I kneel before thee;

Hear with Pity, Limplore thee:

Let my Psyche share with me,

Hear'n and Immortality:

Or let me Earth to Heav'n prefer,

And be indulg'd to die with her.

Jup. Thy Pray'r is granted, Psyche shall become Immortal as thy self, and fill thy Arms With an Eternity of Joy. — From Jove's Imperial Hand, th' ambrosial Cup, with Life And Health o'erstowing, shall enrich her Charms With never-dying Bloom; and make her Youth Endure like the fresh Rose, that ev'ry Morn, Renews its blushing Pride on Hebe's Cheek.

[Jupiter delivers the Cup to Pfyche.]

Psy. All bounteous Jove! with humblest Gratitude,

I take th' inestimable Gift. Yet not For never-dying Bloom this Transport flows; But, that thy Godhead deigns to bless my Vows; And make me happy in my Lover's Arms.

APR.

What Fate attends the Rose,
Which in the Desart blows I
In waste its Odour slies;
Unseen, its Beauty dies:
Or should it last for Ages fair,
What Eye would see it stourish there?
'Twould be a nobler Fate to die,
In giving the Beholder Joy.

Jup. Now, Hermes, summon all the Ethereal Powr's,
To celebrate the Nuptial Rites of Love
And Beauty! Fill the Universe with Joy!

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Let Mortals taste the Pleasures of the Gods! And ev'ry God vie in Delight with Jove!

AIR.

Mer. Mortals! hear the Will of Jove!

Joy, that Beauty blesses Love!

Now's the lucky time to woo;

Now the flying Fair pursue;

Now she'll hear, and answer too.

CHORUS.

Now's the lucky Time to woo; Now she'll hear, and answer too.

Mer. Hear, ye Natives of the Skies!

Ev'ry Demi-God arise!

'Tis Jove's supreme Command,

That Love and Pleasure, Hand in Hand,

Shall the glad Hours in Mirth employ,

And fill the Universe with Joy;

Chorus. And fill the Universe with Joy.

[End of the First Scene of the Serious.]

SCENE II. A Study.

[The Spaniard is discover'd sitting in his Night-Gown, and writing a Letter; Then comes forward and sings the following Song.

AIR.

Span. Who, to win a Woman's Favour,
Would solicit long in vain?
Who, to gain a Moment's Pleasure,
Would endure an Age of Pain?
Idly toying,
Ne'er Enjoying;
Pleas'd with suing,
Fond of Ruin,
Made the Martyr of Disdain.

Give me Love the beauteous Rover

Whom a gen'ral Passion warms,

Fondly Blessing ev'ry Lover,

Frankly pross'ring all her Charms:

Never slying,

Still complying;

Train'd to please you,

Glad to ease you,

Circled in her snowy Arms!

[The Spaniard rings a Bell, and, Pierot his Man, enters yawning, as half asleep: He orders him to call the Maid, with a Basket of Wild-Fowl for a Present to Colombine his Mistress. Pierot re-enters with the Maid, &c. The Spaniard counts over the Fowl, while Pierot gazes wishfully at 'em; and gives him the Letter with proper Instructions; who puts it carefully into his Pocket, and then the Scene closes.

B S C E N E

S C E N F, A Street with Colombine's House.

[Harlequin comes on in a musing Posture, and discovers Pierot entring with his Basket at the further End of the Stage, and feems contriving how to rob him. Pierot walks on to the middle of the Stage, appearing very careful of his Basket; when, of a fudden, the Mufick of the whole Band stops, and a fingle Flagelet only is heard playing a proper Tune. On which Pierot stops, sets down his Basket between his Legs, and leaning on his Staff feems mightily pleas'd with the Mufick: Harlequin comes behind, pulls away the Staff, and runs away with the Basket .- Pierot finding his Letter fafe, knocks foftly at Colombine's Door, the Maid comes out, and leads him to her Mistress.

S C E N E changes to a Chamber in Colombine's House, and discovers Colombine.

Pierot and Maid enter.

[Pierot gives Colombine the Letter, which she reads; and enquires for her Present: Pierot relates his Missortune, and begs she would intercede with his Master to pardon him: She promises she will,

will, and goes out to write a Billet for this Purpose.

In the mean time, Pierot makes Love to the Maid, who repulses him, and sings the following Song.

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AIR.

Maid. Away! Dost think a Woman's Wit

No better Guard upon her?

Than, at the first Attack, to quit

The Fortress of her Honour,

Or say, she could no longer hold,

And should be forc'd to lose it;

The Hero must be stout, and bold,

And have the Sense to use it.

To use it, to use it,

And have the Sense to use it.

At the Close, Pierot again addresses the Maid, and is surprized by the Return of Colombine with the Letter: Which he aukwardly thanks her for, and goes out.

SCENE changes to the Street.

Enter Pierot, who goes to Colombine's Door as having forgot something, and, while he peeps thro' the Key-hole, Harlequin enters, observing him, and, by a Stratagem, gets in at the Window. Pierot stares about, wonders what's the matter, and goes out in a Fright.

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S C E N E changes to Colombine's Chamber.

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Harlequin and she meet with Abundance of Joy, and plot together to cheat the rest of her Lovers: After which she sings the following Song, and then they retire together.

AIR.

Col. How happy's the Woman of Pleasure,

That frolicks at will in her Prime,

That riots in Joy above Measure,

And employs ev'ry Inch of her Time.

That, like People of Fashion, despises

The Censure and Envy of Fools,

And commands, ev'ry Morn when she rises,

A fresh Levee of Lovers and Fools.

S C E N E changes to the Spaniard's Apartments.

[The Spaniard is discover'd sitting before a Looking-Glass dressing. Pierot enters with Colombine's Letter, which his Master opens with Joy, and then turns with Anger to Pierot, who kneels for Pardon. The Spaniard then proceeds with his Dressing, and Pierot officiates as his Valet. After which he sends him for a Portmanteau, and in Pierot's Absence sings the ensuing Air.

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Span. O Love 'tis thy fallacious Arts,

That Mode of Dress improve;

Dress is the Source of vagrant Hearts

And Mode the Slave of Love.

The perfect Belle, the finish'd Beau,
When deck'd with all their Pride,
To the their vaunted Splendor owe,
For thee lay all ande:

In vain the Fair One's jewell'd Breast May boast of double Charms, Venus still looks, when naked best, And in her Lover's Arms.

Pierot returns with the Portmanteau; the Spaniard bids him take it on his Shoulder, and defend himself with a Pistol in case he is attack'd, and follows to guard him himself.

SCENE the Street.

Enter Mynheer Basson and Signior Trebelino in a strong Debate; Harlequin joins them in the Habit of a Doctor of Musick; they make him Umpire, and sit down at the Back Scene: they each of 'em sing an Italian Air, and while they gape for Harlequin's Decision; he disappears, and leaves the two Disputants with a drunken old Woman

Woman between 'em, who fings the following Co.

AIR.

Come, come, my brave Boys, let us booze it away;
Let us drink while we live, and live while we may.

While we drink we defy,
Ev'ry Woe to come nigh:

While we drink we invite
Ev'ry Joy and Delight, Fal, lal.—

By drinking, you Men find Relief from your Care,
We Ladies grow frolick and free as the Air;
'Tis with Drinking we find
In our Heart to be kind;
'Tis then we improve
The Moments of Love.

SCENE changes to the Street with Colombine's House.

[The Spaniard and Pierot carrying the Portmanteau: They knock at the Door, and the Maid opens it: Colombine joins them, and the Spaniard addresses her in a Song.

AIR.

Span. Thus at the Portal of your Gate,

I would an Entrance win;

Fair Creature, deign to ease my Smart,

And let me—let me in.

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wing Col. Would you engage the Fair One's Heart, Let Gold your Suit begin! At Sight of Gold, She'll ease your Smart, And let you-let you in.

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At the End of the first Stanza, Harleguin comes in and strikes Pierot on the Knuckles, who drops the Portmanteau, which Harlequin runs off with. Pierot stands as if he held it still, till the Song is over, when Colombine's Maid comes to receive it; when the Loss is discover'd, which he charges the Maid and Colombine with the Robbery; who, provok'd with the Affront, go off in a Rage. The Spaniard threatens to kill Pierot; Colombine appears at the Window, and fings as follows.

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Did ever Lover thus compel His Mistress to adore bim? Was ever Lover arm'd fo well, With Pistol cock'd before bim?

But you perhaps ne'er thought of Love, And only meant to plunder; So judg'd the surest way to move, Was to declare in Thunder.

While the Spaniard and Pierot are in this Perplexity, Mynheer Bassoon and Signior Trebelino enter, and inform them 'twas Harlequin had been guilty of this Theft: on which they all resolve on a Pursuit.

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the Spaniard and Pierot re-enter, and discover Harlequin at the Window, on which they knock violently at the Door, and the whole Portico changes into a Shop with Workmen, who come forward, and dance with Harlequin, as their Master, in the middle of them.

S C E N E changes to Colombine's Apartment.

[Colombine and her Maid enter to the Spaniard, and Pierot, who, on making more Presents to the Courtezan, are reconcil'd again, and taken into Favour: Signior Trebelino and Mynheer Basson justifying their Behaviour, and describing Harlequin's Knavery.

AIR.

COLOMBINE.

Pleasure's the End which all Mortals persue; Deny it who can:

The Maid, that will blush when a Lover's in view, Yet dreams of a Man.

The Prude that affects to be shock'd at the Name, Like the Wanton, in secret, is pleas'd with the Game; And, let ber say what she can, She doats on a Man.

SPANIARD.

Pleasure and Love, then, but differ in Sound;

Deny it who can:

In Woman our Pleasure's alone to be found;

And Woman's in Man.

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Let us vary the Objects, and change with the Breeze; We follow each other, each other we please; So, let us say what we can, Love's the Pleasure of Man.

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Let us vary the Object, &c.

In the Interval some Persons knock fiercely at the Door, Pierot goes to fee who they are, when Harlequin enters as a Conjurer, with his Gown held up by his Man: he offers to entertain the Company, and they agree to his Proposal. But, on his attempting to strip them of their Clokes, &c. they feem angry, and refuse to be serv'd in that manner: on which he stamps with his Foot, and a formidable Figure arises, who terrifies them into Compliance. Harlequin then gives their Things to his Man, who carries them away: At which Pierot, fuspicious of a new Robbery, takes up Harlequin's Robe, and discovers him. The whole Company prepare to feize him as a Cheat, when he jumps thro' the Scene and rescapes it red her and ber it istante and laugh at their Misfortune; after

After he is gone, Pierot takes up his Wand, and strikes the Stage as Harlequin did before; when Pistolet arises, the Visitors run off frighted; Pistolet follows the first Figure, and Pierot after him, half surprized, and yet pleased at the same Time.

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The boasting Men may fondly deem,
That we poor Souls are rul'd by them:
With a big Look and passionate Air!
Yet, spite of all their Strengh and Skill,
We're sure to tame them as we will.
When Love's the Bait, and Woman the Snare,

In vain the Sage its Wisdom tries,
'Tis dazzled by our brighter Eyes;
The Sharper too may cheat in vain,
For Beauty cheats him o'er again,
There's Magick in Beauty— you know where.

[S C E N E changes to a House with a Colonade. The Room above lighted up. Musick and Dancing. Pierot discovers Harlequin and Colombine at the Window; steals out to inform his Master, who enters immediately with Trebelino, Basson, &c. and running up the Statr-Case, in order to secure them, the House tumbles down, and changes into a Prison, and all, except Pierot, who is left without, are seen looking through the Grates.

[Then Harlequin, Colombine, and her Maid enter, and laugh at their Misfortune; after which, Colombine sings this Song.

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What hungry poor Wretch, with a Banquet in view, Would refuse to sit down, when desir'd to fall to? With a fal, lal, &cc.

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What you push'd with such Vigour I'm ready to grant, Where Plenty abounds, 'tis a Sin you should want. With a fal, fal, &c.

How coldly they hear me! how long they delay? I'm afraid they have fasted their Stomachs away.

With a fal, fal, &c.

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What more then remains, but to lodge in my Breast The Man, that I'm certain will stand to the Test. With a fal, fal, &c.

[Harlequin goes off with Colombine, and Pierot leaves his Master in the Lurch for the Sake of the Maid.

SCENE II.

[All the Gods and Goddesses, as at the Banquet in Honour of the Nuptials: with the Entertanments before-mention'd in the Argument,

Jup. Joy to the Bridegroom and the Bride! Let Heav'n

And Earth agree to gratulate the Band, Which Love shall bind for ever fast; which Peace

Shall ever bless with Smiles of Amity, And Fame perpetuate while the World endures.

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Bac. Fill we then the sparkling Wine!
Roses round your Temples twine!
Ev'ry Moment let's improve,
Due to Pleasure, due to Love!

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CHORUS.

Ev'ry Moment let's improve!
Due to Pleasure, due to Love!

Bac. Scorn we now the stubborn Wife,
That Prolick, Love and Wine despise!
Foes to Nature, not employing!
What alone is worth enjoying!
Could they drink and love as we,
They'd love and drink eternally.

CHORUS.

Could they drink, and love as we, They'd love, and drink eternally.

Ven. Were Venus filent in the gen'ral Joy, When such a Royal Pair of Lovers breath'd Their mutual Vows devoutly at her Shrine, She'd ill deserve the Homage of Mankind.

Ven. Hither then ye Graces fair,
Hither all ye Loves repair!
Hopes, and Smiles, and pleafing Toys,
Fond Defires, and blooming foys,
All ye beauteous, wanton Train,
That wait on Hymen's gentle Reign!
Hover o'er each princely Head,
And eternal Pleafures shed!
All your Pleafures are too poor,
They deserve a Thousand more.

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Apol. What farther Recompence, the narrow Bound
Of Love, and Pleasure, to such Worth denies. The Voice of Fame, with every Muse to aid The mighty Sound, shall pour into the Ear Of Time, and echo down thro' every Age.

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Apol. Hark! bark, they strike the sounding String!

And ev'ry Muse prepares to sing:

Fir'd with the great Design,

Th' obedient Voices join,

And Harmony becomes indeed divine.

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And Harmony becomes indeed divine.

Stay, stay, the potent Song!

And take the God along!

None less than he

Can make the Notes and Theme agree,

Or swell the Strain to Immortality.

CHORUS

None less than be, &c.

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AIR.

Give, give your vain Presumption o'er!

And strike the sounding Strings no more!

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True Virtue, scorns your feeble Lay;
Safe, in it self, from all Decay,
Dis of Twill flourish fresh and fair.
Increase with every Year,
Till Fame herself shall die, and Nature sade away.

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